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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant Linn et al.) Examiner:) S. Loke Serial No. 09/316,580 Art Unit: Filed May 21, 1999 2811 For **BONDED WAFER WITH METAL SILICIDATION**

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.116 AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 Box AF

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 6, 2000, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

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Amend claim 4 as follows:

4. (Amended) The integrated circuit of claim [1] 7 wherein said device silicon layer includes deep buried layers abutting said second dielectric layer.

Amend claim 5 as follows:

5. (Amended) The integrated circuit of claim [1] 7 wherein said handle [wafer] die comprises silicon and [at least one of said dielectric dielectric layers] said first dielectric layer comprises diamond.

Further amend claim 10 as follows:

- 10. (Twice amended) A bonded wafer integrated circuit comprising:
- (a) a handle die comprising a first dielectric layer, said first dielectric layer comprising a first bonding material;

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